

Remarks

In the subject Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requiring election of either Group I (claims 1-5, 24-29 and 48-52), Invention II (claims 6-23, 30-47 and 53-69), or Invention III (claims 70-72). In response, Applicant hereby elects what has been characterized by the Examiner as Invention III (claims 70-72) in the subject Office Action. This election is made without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to pursue non-elected subject matter in one or more continuing applications. Applicant believes it has fully responded to the subject Office Action; if the Examiner believes otherwise, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney. Applicant respectfully requests early action on the merits of Applicant's claims.

A three-month extension of time is hereby requested, and the fees for this submission are being paid by credit card. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency in fees for this submission or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-3483.

Respectfully submitted,

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